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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned for refugees. Political and economic disasters around the world demand the compassionate resettlement of refugees as set out in the refugee protocols. As a side benefit refugees are often the best and brightest helping our demographics and economy while enriching our culture. This is particularly true for the rural parts of the US where deaths of despair are rising and those that can are heading to the coasts. In September you cut the target number to less than a fifth of that of 2016 and initiated EO 13888 to require that local governments annually affirm that refugees may move there. This is antithetical to our freedom of movement, dividing communities and complicating the work of resettlement charities already picking up where your government has failed.

*Please assure me that you will drop EO 13888 and welcome many more refugees.*

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our respect for human rights.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson